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Resources for New Rail Lines
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether resources for laying new railway lines during the 12th Plan period were very inadequate;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken for improving fiscal condition of Railways for better allocation/implementation of projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. There are 166 ongoing new line projects with a throwforward of ` 1,94,282 crore as on 01.04.2016. Against this, the total outlay in the 12th Plan for New Lines is ` 35000 crore as funds are also required for other important works such as doubling, electrification etc.

(c): Railway Plan funding is planned through Gross Budgetary Support(GBS), Internal Generation and Extra Budgetary Resources. In the first three years of the 12th Plan, the Annual Plan size of Railways has been ` 50,383 crore (2012-2013), ` 53989 crore (2013-2014) and ` 58719 crore (2014-2015). However, in 2015-16 and 2016-17 the Annual Plan size has been substantially increased to ` 93,519 crore and ` 1,21,000 crore respectively by mobilizing the additional resources from Extra Budgetary Resources, Institutional Financing and Public Private Partnership besides higher allocations through GBS.
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